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Docket No. GC697

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)

Dunn-Coleman et al.)

Serial No. 10/026,140)

Filed: December 18, 2001)

For: BGL5 Beta-Glucosidase and Nucleic)
Acids Encoding the Same)

Group Art Unit: 1751

Examiner: Not Assigned

Preliminary Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination, applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments.

In the specification:

In the specification after page 42, insert pages 1-3 enclosed herewith.

On page 7, please replace the paragraph starting on line 5 with the following:

Figure 2 shows the predicted amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:2) based on the nucleotide sequence provided in Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:1).

On page 18, please replace the paragraph starting on line 26 with the following:

A Basic BLASTN search (www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/BLAST) of the non-redundant nucleic acid sequence database was conducted on October 30, 2001, with the *bgl5* gene sequence presented in Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:1), indicated that the only sequence producing significant